

Less Costly Hats Than Usual Seen in the Great Easter Parade This Year; Retrenchment Being the Rule Because of Troubles in Wall Street

Few Headpieces Costing
\$100 or Over Seen in
Fifth Ave. Pageant.

STILL ARE BECOMING.

Description of the Notable Creations Worn to Church by Famous Women.

By Annette Bradshaw.

The purchase of hats has been governed so closely by the rise and fall of stocks this year that even the milliners keep an eye on the market reports. Women of the smartest set, who have been accustomed to ordering hats in half-dozen lots, regardless of their prices, have become most prudent this season.

Milliners claim the women of the moneyed class, milliners' wives, are always most particular about knowing the price of any article before it is ordered. Not that they do without, if it is too high, but they bargain for a lower price and do not make a final decision until they have come to a full understanding of what the cost is to be. But this year there are many going without hats that they really want, because the price is higher than they can afford.

One young woman, who divides her time between society here and abroad, in speaking about the rumored purchase of a \$150 hat by one of the well-known matrons, said:

"I don't know whether she really paid that much or not, and she won't tell, for when men are losing so much money in Wall street their wives don't want them to hear that they are paying big prices for hats."

To show that milliners are in touch with this situation, a comparison was made between this year's and last year's prices in some of the smartest shops.

In several, where \$100 is not an unusual price for a hat, this year's top-notchers come well below that. At one of the most fashionable, in Forty-sixth street, where prices have gone even above the \$100 mark, the limit is now placed at \$75.

Another exclusive shop on Fifth avenue, in which the saleswomen are accustomed to name large prices in the most nonchalant manner, has marked down its choice models. Other shops show a decrease of \$15 to \$30 below their usual prices.

In department stores and little shops on the other avenues, never has there been such lively Easter purchasing. The early spring weather has been a great factor in this, but besides this, "the common people" have been concerned in the recent panic, and probably feel like rejoicing.

To those happy in the purchase of a flimsy bit of straw and roses at \$3.50, the fact that a Fifth avenue leader must curtail her expenditure on one hat by twenty dollars or so, and order only five hats in place of fifteen, does not seem a particular hardship.

As for appearances, the expensive hats show no less beauty than usual. In fact, women should congratulate themselves, for they look better than ever before in the present styles.

Some Easter hats that were sketched yesterday on well-known society women will prove this.

Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney's hat was a large round shape, with a low crown, trimmed with velvet ribbon and long, drooping plumes.

Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs's large straw hat was trimmed with ribbon bows and draped with a handsome veil.

Mrs. Nina Winterfeldt wore a very smart turban of mottled breast, with many ribbons and curling quills.

Mrs. Senator Clark looked very trim in a small cloche-shaped straw trimmed with velvet ribbon, fancy pins and upstanding wings at the back.



WOMAN "TYPHOID FACTORY" HELD AS A PRISONER

Hospital Officials Isolate Mary Iverson as a Menace.

Mary Iverson, a cook, large and buxom and robust, is a prisoner in Roosevelt Hospital, adjudged by Sanitary Superintendent Walter O. Bensal a menace to the community, in that she scatters typhoid germs unconsciously. According to Dr. William H. Park, of the house staff, who has taken charge of the case, Miss Iverson is a human "culture tube." Supt. Bensal declared to an Evening World reporter to-day that since Mary fully recovered from an attack of typhoid she suffered about six years ago thirty-eight persons who enjoyed her cooking have become victims of the dreaded fever.

The big, rosy-cheeked cook is not a willing patient at the Roosevelt Hospital. She had to be taken there by force from the household of a wealthy man, where she was, according to Dr. George A. Saper, sanitary engineer, of No. 25 Broadway, disseminating germs. He looked up the various families in which she has cooked lately and found that her germs had infected thirty-eight people.

She denies this and declares that she will never submit tranquilly to expert efforts to locate the germs her system is alleged to give off. It may be necessary to tie her down or involve her protesting arms and legs in a straight-jacket. Superintendent Bensal is pursuing over the legality of such a proceeding. He is convinced that he has a well-woven circumstantial case against Mary, but whether it will be legal to take her apart to find where the typhoid germs are located he can only determine by bringing the case into the courts.

Case Unique in Medicine.

When Mary was taken to the Board of Health's reception hospital for examination it required the persuasion of half a dozen health inspectors to carry her there. Then it was found that accommodations were cramped. There was no room large enough to hold the cook and the doctors who were assigned to inspect her. Thereupon she was removed to a private room in Roosevelt Hospital, where she now is.

Dr. William H. Park and Dr. Herman Blagg, germ specialists, have taken charge of the case. They believe they will have to call in other germ experts to assist them in investigating the source of Mary's germ supply. Her case is absolutely unique in medical history.

"This woman," said Dr. Bensal to-day, "is a well-known case. She has been in the household where she was employed, no suspicion arose that she was the dispenser of the deadly germs until after several curious employers began to look up her record, tracing her career, step by step. She is such a perfectly healthy looking person that no one would suspect her of

carrying about a host of germs in her system."

Million Germs in System.

According to Dr. Park and Dr. Blagg, Iverson, who is in complete possession of a million or more germs, none of which, however, can do her the least harm. She is immune, though with every breath she takes she draws in and exhales a cloud of dreaded bacilli. She cannot see the arguments of the physicians and her language is far from cordial or gentle when the doctors visit her and talk of her internal storehouse of germs. She has sent for her relatives, begging them to come to her aid before she is taken apart like a watch and assorted into her various cogs and bits of anatomical machinery.

If her friends and relatives come to her aid the case will undoubtedly be brought into the courts and a new phase of medico-jurispudence developed. Dr. Bensal said to-day that he would not give out the names of the various families in which Mary worked, as he did not want to inspire the people she had cooked for with alarm. Some of them are already victims of typhoid and other members of the families might worry themselves into it.

The woman was stricken with the disease about six years ago and recovered after the attack had run its usual course, and was declared cured. It now appears, says Dr. Bensal, that her intestinal tract has continued to produce and develop typhoid germs which carried the malady to others. Dr. Bensal says she is a "living fever factory." This is all the more singular when considered with the statement that she is well and hearty and shows not the slightest signs of taking typhoid.

Will Stay in Hospital.

"The Lord only knows what we can do with the woman," said Dr. Bensal to-day. "but we have determined to keep her under observation at the Reception Hospital, and we will certainly employ every means known to science to locate and destroy the culture group of germs which persist in lingering in her anatomy."

Dr. Bensal said that it was not yet known whether any of the twenty-five persons to whom the woman had communicated typhoid had died of the disease. Suspicion was finally attracted to her, he said, as being the only possible source of contagion. In every case of typhoid the Health Department looks up all the circumstances, making particular inquiry as to the milk, water supply, location of other nearby cases.

As one after another of the cases of typhoid developed in families where Mary Iverson was employed, was investigated, suspicion was finally fixed on her, and she was removed to the hospital. She was indignant and protested she had no typhoid.

HIRED MAN MISSING WITH EMPLOYER'S BOY.

(Special to The Evening World.)

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., April 1.—Emil Cohen, aged nine, son of Barney Cohen, a dairy farmer living on George road, about three miles from this city, was taken away for a drive by a hired man yesterday noon, and when neither had returned up to this morning the father appealed to the police here and Perth Amboy to look them up. The hired man had worked for Mr. Cohen nearly a year. He is a Pole and was known only as John. He was secured through an employment agency and proved a very good workman. Mr. Cohen trusted him implicitly.

WOMEN RISK LIVES TO AID FIRE VICTIM

Smother Flames in Clothing, but His Injuries May Be Fatal.

Mrs. Marie A. Brosnan and her two daughters, Grace and Alice, risked their own lives in an effort to save that of George E. Marshall, when their home, No. 202 Madison avenue, caught fire to-day.

Mrs. Brosnan keeps a boarding house. Marshall, who is employed in the office of the American Express Company, had a room on the top floor. On the three other floors were several of her boarders, both men and women. The fire is supposed to have started in Marshall's room and was discovered by Policeman Helwig, of the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street station. Helwig sent a call for the engines and then began beating on the front door to awaken the occupants of the house.

The door was opened by Mrs. Brosnan and her daughters. The women began screaming and soon the other boarders were making for the street through the smoke-filled halls. Suddenly a man, his clothes flaming, leaped down the stairs screaming in agony. Near the front door he fell. Mrs. Brosnan and her daughters, with wraps found in the hallway, put out the flames. The man, who proved to be Marshall, was carried to the street.

The engines made short work of the fire. Marshall was taken to Harlem hospital. He was terribly burned and little hope is held out for his recovery.

APOLLO'S FIFTH AVENUE BRIDE IN A DIVORCE COURT

Eloping Heiress Seeks to Annul Marriage With Cosmides.

The romance of pretty Maybelle Ansted and Greek Apollo Christo Georg Cosmides, which began with an elopement from the White Plains country home of her father, William Howard Ansted, the wealthy publisher at No. 225 West Twenty-eighth street, and had all the melodramatic accessories of a hunt for a "missing heiress," the kindly offices of a motherly duenna and matchmaker, a midnight marriage, arrest, fainting parents in police court, forgiveness and the paternal blessing, had its tragic finish in the divorce court to-day.

The Ansteds have a country house at Saratoga, too, but were at their White Plains house packing for their return to their city mansion, at No. 2107 Fifth avenue, when, Oct. 12, 1905, Miss Maybelle, only seventeen, but already a beautiful young woman, tall and willowy, and accomplished, vanished.

Mr. Ansted was frantic, for he soon learned that a handsome young Greek merchant at No. 26 Greenwich street had been seen with his "little girl."

He engaged the police and the Parkhurst Society in a search for the lost one.

It was learned that she had met her Greek admirer at the home of Mrs. Jessie M. Graeffe, No. 50 West Sixty-ninth street, an old, old friend of the family and like them, from Georgia, of whose famous Judge McIntosh she was a daughter.

On Oct. 24, Supt. McClintock, of the Parkhurst Society, arrested Mrs. Graeffe on the technical charge of disorderly conduct in that she had harbored Miss Maybelle and the Greek. But when the case came up for a hearing the young couple appeared and the blushing Maybelle triumphantly displayed a certificate showing that she and Cosmides had been joined in marriage at the Church of the Ascension

Middle hat is by a leading milliner in New York City and costs just an even \$100, which is about the top price this season. This hat is a large mushroom shape in fancy straw, trimmed with tulle and an especially large and handsome bird of paradise.

on the night of her disappearance, and Mrs. Graeffe related that the elopers came to her and by her advice went straight to the church and were married.

Mr. and Mrs. Ansted promptly fainted in the court, but when the father revived and his daughter besought his forgiveness and blessing he bestowed it on the couple.

When his "little girl" kissed him, however, he fainted again.

Miss Maybelle said that she had been told that her father, who had remarried after her mother's death, had threatened to send her to an institution, to which Mr. Ansted replied that he had never made any such threat nor thought of such a thing.

The romance was short-lived. Six months after the clandestine marriage Christo Georg Cosmides was arrested on a charge of complicity with the notorious Alfred E. Goslin, then in the Blackwell's Island Penitentiary, in a swindling scheme he was working through two or three men on the outside. Cosmides being suspected of being one of them, getting mail under a fictitious name. On the examination, however, the young Greek merchant was discharged. He went immediately to Europe, where he is now, so that he did not appear nor offer any opposition when his runaway bride appealed to Justice Traux for a decree annulling their marriage on the ground that she was not of legal age of consent. Neither was Mrs. Graeffe in court. After her triumphant acquittal in police court, however, Mrs. Graeffe said to a reporter:

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Following this move of the railroads, a report was spread that the leaders of the unions were preparing to make concessions. It was said the demand for a nine-hour day may be abandoned, and that the men also may decide to take less than the 12 per cent advance in pay they have asked.

Grand Chief Garerson, of the Conductors, would not confirm the story, and Chief Armstrong, of the Trainmen, refused to discuss himself any further than to assert that the "situation had not changed materially."

Another set of conferences were to be held in which Chairman Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and Labor Commissioner Neill were to participate.

Messrs. Knapp and Neill believe now that terms satisfactory to both sides may ultimately be reached.

Chairman Knapp said to-day: "The situation is not hopeless, and I feel encouraged, but that is all that I can say now. I do not mean that an agreement is certain, but that something may yet be done."

"BIG SIX" GETS ANOTHER

A. B. Woodward, general printer, at No. 42 Bond street, has added a composing room to his already large plant. Organized George W. Jackson, who used the chapel yesterday, which will be under the jurisdiction of Typographical

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